

Wisconsin hunting incident summary - Year 2017

#	Date/Time	Final Report	Location	Injury Description	Fatal	Self-Inflicted (SI) or Same Party (SP)	Shooter Age / Sex / Hunter Safety Certified	Victim Age / Sex / Hunter Safety Certified	Type of Firearm
1.	04/01/2017 6:00pm		Dodge Private	Welts to chest, right hand and chipped tooth	No	SP - Same Party	32yr M Yes	66yr M Yes	20 Gauge Semi-Auto Action Shotgun
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting pheasant. Bird flushed behind line of hunters and shooter shot hitting victim while swinging on game.								
2.	04/17/2017 12:00am		Dodge Private	Male: shrapnel abrasion to right shin Female: shrapnel abrasion to left shin and right leg just above knee	No	SI - Self Inflicted	44yr M No	Victim #1 - 44yr M No Victim #2 - 74yr F No	.22 Caliber Semi-Auto Action Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting a nuisance raccoon. Shooter shot raccoon straight down and bullet passed through raccoon and shattered on concrete floor causing shrapnel wounds to legs.								
3.	05/10/2017 9:30am		Oneida Public	Injury to left side of face/head	No	SP - Same Party	64yr M No	42yr M Yes	20 Gauge Semi-Auto Action Shotgun
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting turkey. Shooter shot at movement and what he thought was a turkey hitting victim in face and head area.								
4.	05/21/2017 7:32am		Vernon Private	bullet entered right side of body underneath armpit	Yes	SP - Same Party	15yr M Yes	17yr M Yes	.22 Caliber Semi-Auto Action Handgun

Synopsis:	The shooter and victim were at the vehicle planning a sneak up on turkeys they saw in the field. The victim asked the shooter to toss the handgun which landed on the console of the vehicle and discharged.								
5.	05/21/2017 8:10am		Dunn Private	3" #6 shot to inside front of left knee	No	SP - Same Party	63yr M Yes	51yr M Yes	12 Gauge Pump Action Shotgun
Synopsis:	The shooter and victim were hunting turkeys sitting in low profile camouflage hunting chairs. Victim needed to get up so he passed the gun, stock first, to the shooter who grasped the gun near the curved portion of the stock with heavier weight gloves when the gun discharged.								
6.	07/06/2017 8:30pm		Barron Public	gun shot to middle toe of right foot	No	SI - Self Inflicted	18yr M Yes	Same as Shooter	.243 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter/victim was standing with gun loaded and resting on his foot. As he reached inside his vehicle to grab his keys the firearm slipped and when the victim grabbed the gun he pulled the trigger causing firearm to discharge.								
7.	09/18/2017 6:30pm		Dunn Public	bullet entered through the upper right leg, exited through inner right leg, and lodged in the upper left leg	No	SP - Same Party	31yr M Yes	25yr M Yes	.22 Caliber Semi-Auto Action Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting squirrel. Shooter wounded squirrel and chased it to a tree trunk that was approximately 3 to 4 feet off the ground. Shooter shot one time striking the victim who was standing on the other side of the squirrel's location.								
8.	09/19/2017 5:30pm		Sheboygan Public	shotgun pellets to the right side of the back	No	Neither	64yr M No	23yr M No	20 Gauge Action Unknown Shotgun
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting squirrel. Shooter failed to identify target. Shooter shot at what he thought was a squirrel hitting victim in the back.								
9.	09/30/2017 8:00am		Milwaukee Private	bird shot to chest and thigh area	No	SP - Same Party	61yr M No	61yr M No	12 Gauge Semi-Auto Action Shotgun
Synopsis:	The shooter and victim were stalking geese in shooters yard. Shooter and victim walked around house in two different directions leaving the geese in between them. Shooter discharged his shotgun three times in the direction of the victim and shooters home, hitting victim, and causing damage to window and siding of home.								
10.	10/14/2017 12:00pm		Calumet Public	single pellet wound to the right cheek on face	No	SP - Same Party	52yr M Yes	26yr M Yes	12 Gauge Semi-Auto Action Shotgun

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16.	11/18/2017 5:21am		Brown Private	right ankle injury	No	SI - Self Inflicted	49yr M Yes	Same as Shooter	270 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting deer. Shooter/victim was preparing the rifle prior to getting into hunting stand when the firearm discharged striking victim in right ankle.								
17.	11/18/2017 9:20am		Forest Public	gunshot wound through upper right leg and lower left leg	No	SI - Self Inflicted	49yr M Yes	Same as Shooter	30-06 Caliber Bolt Action Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter was hunting deer. Upon spotting a deer, the victim manipulated a loaded 30-06 rifle positioned in the cab of vehicle when it discharged hitting victim in the right upper leg and exiting the lower left leg.								
18.	11/18/2017 1:10pm		Shawano Private	45 caliber handgun wound to upper right thigh, entry and exit wound on the same side	No	SI - Self Inflicted	51yr M No	Same as Shooter	45 Caliber Semi-Auto Handgun
Synopsis:	The shooter/victim was walking to deer stand when he bent over to pick up a turkey feather. When he stood up and took a step the holstered handgun fired hitting victim in the upper right thigh.								
19.	11/22/2017 12:25pm		Ozaukee Private	bullet passed through upper leg	No	SP - Same Party	24yr M Yes	53yr M Yes	30.06 Caliber Semi-Auto Action Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter was one of two posters/standers in a deer drive. Antlered deer was jumped and doubled back towards the drivers. Both posters/standers shot hitting victim in upper leg.								
20.	11/23/2017 9:38am		Clark Private	bullet went through top of left foot and exited right side	No	SI - Self Inflicted	27yr M Yes	Same as Shooter	300 Caliber Semi-Auto Rifle
Synopsis:	The shooter/victim was walking through an open plowed cornfield when the firearm started to discharge. At least three rounds went off with one of the rounds hitting the victim in the top of left foot.								
21.	11/24/2017 7:25pm		Washburn Public	gunshot wound to top right foot in the ankle area exiting out the bottom of foot	No	SI - Self Inflicted	24yr M Yes	Same as shooter	7mm Caliber Bolt Action Rifle

Synopsis:	The shooter/victim was retrieving hunting ground blind and chair after hunting hours (dark). While carrying the hunting equipment victim heard safety click off. Victim reached down to put the safety back on, tripped, and inadvertently hit the trigger causing a discharge striking victim in the top of foot.								
22.	11/26/2017 1:15pm		Waukesha Public	bullet struck both legs	No	Neither	32yr M Yes	32yr M Yes	12 Gauge Action Pump Shotgun
Synopsis:	The victim was waterfowl hunting from a kayak. The victim was struck by a stray bullet from a deer hunter.								